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Applicants hereby appeal to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the decision of the Examiner made in the Final Office Action for the above-identified application dated April 30, 2009, finally rejecting claims 51-72.

The 37 C.F.R. § 1.191 Notice of Appeal fee of \$540.00 is being paid by credit card.

Applicants request a three-month extension of time to respond to the Final Office Action mailed April 30, 2009, resetting the response date to October 30, 2009. The extension fee of \$1,110.00 is being paid by credit card. The Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional fees or credit any overpayment in connection with this paper to Deposit Account No. **11-0600**.

Respectfully submitted,

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